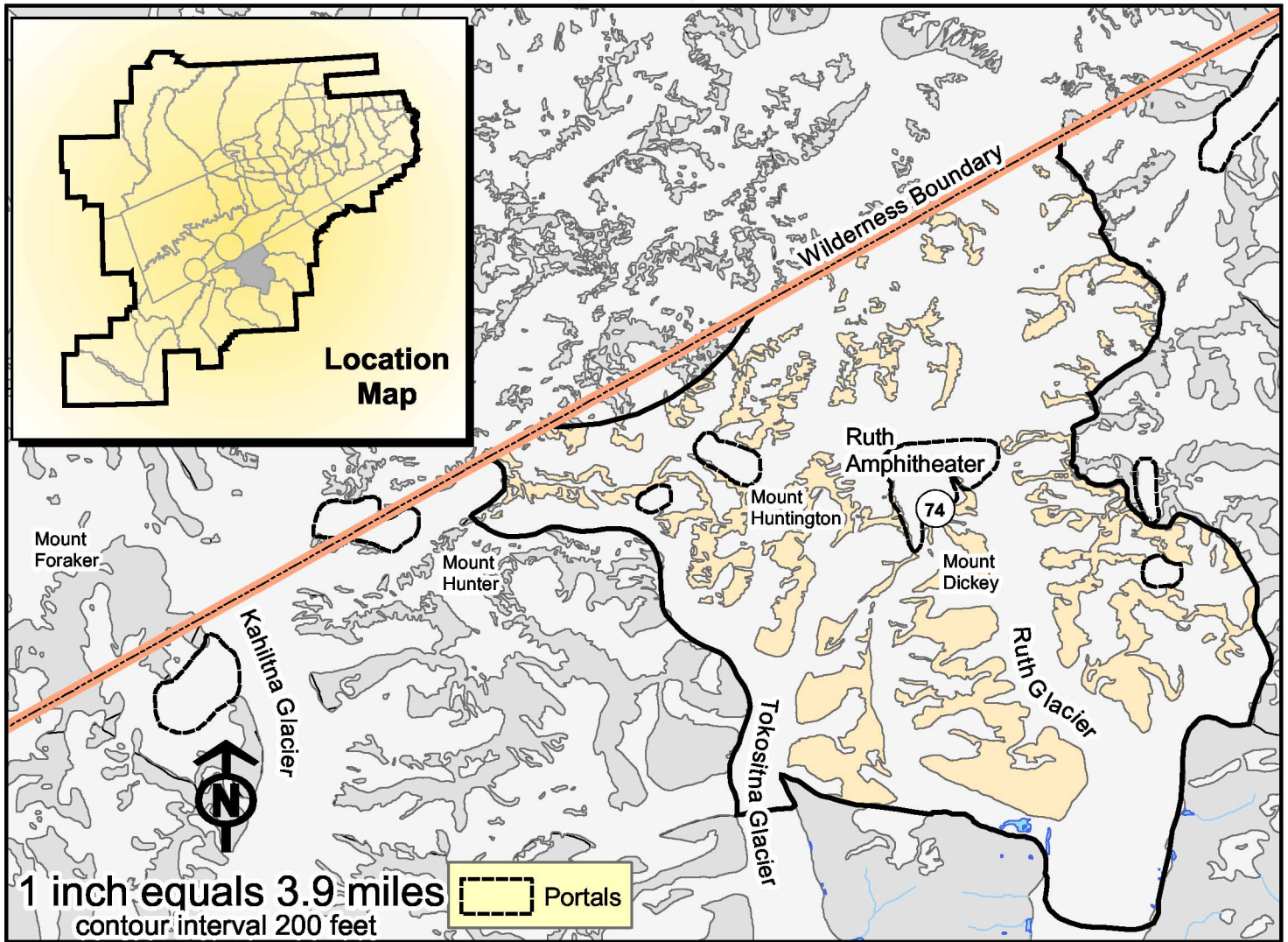


Map 2-45 Upper Ruth (Unit 74)



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Predominately snow and ice with some bare ground and sparse vegetation. The Ruth Gorge is considered one of the most scenic locations in the park. Large granite walls, glaciers, ice falls -- an internationally known mountain setting.

Rapidly became a popular destination. Major activities include scenic landings in three areas as part of air tours, overnight stays at the Mountain House (private inholding), and both day use and extended trips involving glacier travel, skiing, climbing and mountaineering. There is one cabin. The area within 1 mile of the landing area on the Ruth is designated as a portal zone. Wilderness experience is poor in summer in the Gorge but good elsewhere, degraded by overflights and landings.